

Remarks

A. Restriction Requirement

The Office Action imposed a restriction requirement between Group I-claims 1-32, 34-44 and 46-47; Group II-claim 33, and Group III-claim 45. Applicants hereby elect Group I, without traverse and without prejudice to the filing of one or more divisional applications on the cancelled subject matter.

Claim 33 has been cancelled to facilitate the election. Further, claim 45 has been restated as a dependent sprayer claim, such that amended claim 45 is now properly grouped in Group I.

New claim 48 is also part of Group I as being dependent on claim 1, and merely adding a limitation from claim 46. Claim 47 was previously grouped as part of Group I and remains properly part of Group I even after the above amendment as it is also now indirectly dependent on claim 1.

Applicants believe that none of the above changes affects inventorship.

B. Provisional Species Restriction

The Office Action also raised a five-way provisional species restriction requirement. Applicants hereby provisionally elect species 1. This provisional election is made without traverse. The Office Action already identified original claims 1-32 as relating to this species. That remains the case with respect to amended claims 1-32. Applicants hereby further identify new claim 48 and amended claims 45 and 47 as now also relating to species 1 (as they are now dependent thereon).

While applicants have not traversed the provisional species restriction requirement as applied to the original set of claims, they note that given the amendment to Group I, amended claim 1 (and thus also claims 2-32, 45, 47 and 48) share a common patentable feature with the other remaining claims. This should render moot the need for any implementation of the provisional species election.

Conclusion

Claims 1-32 and 34-47 (as amended), and new claim 48, are now believed to be in condition for allowance, and allowance is respectfully requested. Please charge the one month extension fee of \$110, plus any additional fees required for entry of this amendment to Deposit Account No. 17-0055. In this regard, an extra fee for claim 48 is not believed to be required since claim 33 was cancelled. However, if one is, please charge the \$18 to that account.

Respectfully submitted,
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